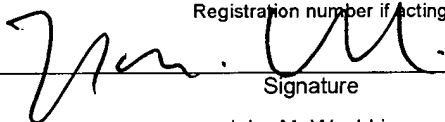


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<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2005</b> (Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)		<b>Docket Number (Optional)</b> 291958108US1	
<b>Application Number</b> 09/910,481-Conf. #3202		<b>Filed</b> July 19, 2001	
<b>For</b> ELECTROPLATING SYSTEM HAVING AUXILIARY ELECTRODE EXTERIOR TO MAIN REACTOR CHAMBER FOR CONTACT CLEANING OPERATIONS			
<b>Art Unit</b> 1742		<b>Examiner</b> W. T. Leader	
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application. The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):			
	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$120	\$60	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	\$450	\$225	\$
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	\$1020	\$510	\$ 1,020.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	\$1590	\$795	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2160	\$1080	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.			
<input type="checkbox"/> The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-0665. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.			
I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.			
<input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 42,216			
<input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.			
Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 _____			
 Signature		<u>Dec. 13, 2004</u> Date	
John M. Weckin Typed or printed name		(206) 359-8000 Telephone Number	
NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total of 1 forms are submitted.			

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